



DRURY DESIGN KITCHEN & BATH STUDIO

design guide

Your source for home design trends, news and inspiration

Gail Drury, CMKBD
President and Studio Director



Kitchens and Transitions

Looking back over the last 25 years in kitchen design, we've seen styles from French Country and Old World classic to contemporary.

Looking ahead, kitchen design is going through its own transformation: it's less about being looked at and more about being experienced. The old saying of Mies Vander Rohe is appropriate here: "Less is more."

Distinguished by a built-in furniture look that integrates with adjacent living spaces, Drury Design kitchens quietly embrace everyday activities. As family life hums over countertops and guests gather, the kitchen is everyone's favorite place to be.

Drury Design kitchens integrate technology, which transforms kitchens into media centers with places to cook, comment and compute. With iPads, tablets and smartphones landing on islands, there is no reason to go to another room to check email or even watch TV.

The biggest trends we see moving forward? Transitional design and further integrating the functions of the living, dining and family rooms into the real heart of the home – the kitchen.



“The evolution of the kitchen has been dramatic over the past 25 years, especially in terms of design styles, product options and functionality. However, there has been one constant – the good fortune of working with great clients.” *-Gail Drury, CMKBD, President of Drury Design*

Still under wraps till May, Drury Design's newest transitional kitchen display will offer a glimpse of future design trends and technology. Two showroom displays are national award-winners.



In 1994, Gail Drury moved her home studio, founded in 1987, to a storefront location on Pennsylvania Avenue in downtown Glen Ellyn. In 2001, the business expanded to anchor the northern downtown Glen Ellyn business district.

In 2002, Gail talked about the studio's move from its prior Pennsylvania Avenue location: "Although our business was growing, the real reason for our expansion was to enlarge our palette and to offer our clients an outstanding visual design experience that would inspire ideas for their own kitchens."

Always designing for the future, Drury Design's interpretation of the modern transitional kitchen will be unveiled to the public in May. Showcasing Grabill Cabinetry, the design features a neutral color palette and integrates technology throughout.

“Drury Design’s entire staff is very design-intuitive. And, they’re unique in the way they relate to their customers. The Drury Design experience is what sets them apart and is one of their core values. Relationships mean everything to them.”

-David Carnahan, Vice President
Grabill Cabinetry Company



NKBA AWARD-WINNING MASTER BATH DESIGN

Homeowners: Gail & Chuck E., Geneva, Illinois
Designer: Terry Kenney
Project: Kitchen
Video: <http://youtu.be/itt4eTXhVic>
Solutions: Known as “The Bridge House,” this home actually straddles a stream. Design challenges included updating the look, improving workflow, expanding storage and bringing the outside in – plus making room for two cooks. The new kitchen layout provided the perfect slate for using naturalistic materials to support the nature theme of “The Bridge House.” Hues of greens, browns, rust and gold shine in the cabinets and the golden lightening granite.

Homeowners: Mark & Alice P., Wheaton, Illinois
Designer: Terry Kenney
Project: Master Bath
Video: <http://youtu.be/MLEsD0rJPCQ>
Solutions: Dark and outdated before, this large master bath is now contemporary, sophisticated, elegant and light. A freestanding bubble tub, an open steam shower, linen storage columns and ‘his’ and ‘her’ vanities brighten up the spa-like space. A warm dark finish on cherry wood contemporary cabinetry contrasts with mosaic tile and the quartz countertops. An arch motif adds dimension and character to the design.



NKBA AWARD-WINNING KITCHEN DESIGN



NKBA BEST OF SHOW

“The best reward for me is seeing my clients use this space comfortably every day and enjoying all the aesthetics that go along with it. They no longer have to choose between a beauty or function – who says you can’t have it all?” -Gladys Schanstra, CKD, CBD

Homeowners: Allison & Pete D., Elmhurst, Illinois
Designer: Gladys Schanstra, CKD, CBD
Project: Kitchen and Master Bath
Video: <http://youtu.be/XW8Dyp8CJOY>
Solutions: After attempting to sell, these clients chose to stay in their home and invest in modernizing it. Designed by Gladys Schanstra, CKD, CBD and the winner of NKBA Midwest’s Best of Show award, this project included a custom kitchen and master bath addition, as well as major updates throughout the home.

The kitchen now features an open layout, seating for four at the island, sizable storage, and durable, kid-friendly materials. Elements from the old house linger throughout the space, maintaining the original character.

In the master bath, a large, round soaking tub creates a focal point. Old wood plank tiles give the room a rustic and warm lodge feel.



NKBA AWARD-WINNING BATH DESIGN

Drury Design Wins Eleven NKBA Midwest Design Vision Honors, 2011



Drury Design took Best of Show and 10 other awards at the 2011 National Kitchen and Bath Association Midwest Design Vision for client projects in Elmhurst, Burr Ridge, Hinsdale, Lisle, Geneva, Bloomingdale and Wheaton, Illinois. "Winning 11 awards is quite an honor," said Gail Drury, president and studio director at Drury Design. But more than that, the wins recognize our clients' vision to modernize their homes and progress their lifestyle with a signature design."

Best Of Show:
Gladys Schanstra, CKD, CBD

Large Kitchen:
Gail Drury, CMKBD - first and second place
Terry Kenney - third place

Medium Kitchen:
Gladys Schanstra, CKD, CBD - first place
Terry Kenney - third place

Large Bath:
Gail Drury, CMKBD - first place
Terry Kenney - second place
Gladys Schanstra, CKD, CBD - third place

Honorable Mention Kitchens:
Brigitte Fabi, CMKBD
Terry Kenney



Drury Design's First Employee Celebrates 20th Anniversary

DOLORES WOZNIAK, PURCHASING MANAGER

Drury Design's first employee, Dolores Wozniak, assists with managing project orders, detailing sales agreements and overseeing jobsite deliveries—demanding tasks that require precise attention to detail. "Kitchen design has changed so much from when it was cabinet boxes and laminate counter tops 25 years ago," says Dolores, who has grown with the company. Looking at the finished project photos brings Dolores great satisfaction, she says. "It's unbelievable what we put together. Seeing a project go from a design through the order process is fulfilling. I love my job. I've learned so much here. It's amazing to see what Gail and her team can do."

"It's amazing how much more technical the home is now. Today's kitchens are so versatile and every one we design is a one-of-a-kind. It's astonishing to watch Gail and our team at work." -Dolores Wozniak

DRURY DESIGN WELCOMES TWO NEW EMPLOYEES



Meet Peggy Udelhofen, CKD, ASID

DESIGNER

A professional kitchen designer since 1999, Peggy Udelhofen is a well-known designer whose clients' homes are frequently featured in the Glen Ellyn Kitchen Walk collection. In 2008, Peggy earned her certified kitchen designer designation (CKD) from National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA). Peggy is also a registered member of the American Society for Interior Design (ASID). A graduate of the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, Peggy studied interior design and art.



Meet Denise DeVarco

ASSISTANT DESIGNER

A graduate of The Illinois Institute of Art with an interior design degree, Denise has completed multiple continuing education certifications, specializing in 3D Design, Graphic Design and Web Design. With previous experience in the commercial and retail design industry, Denise is also a LEED Green Associate as well as an allied member of the U.S. Green Building Council Illinois Chapter and the National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA).



NKBA AWARD-WINNING KITCHEN DESIGN

Homeowners: Allison & Lee D., Burr Ridge, Illinois
Designer: Gail Drury, CMKBD
Project: Kitchen and Bath
Video: <http://youtu.be/Z08k7YEr7AA>
Solutions: Traditional detailing mixes with modern simplicity in this kitchen, which won first place in NKBA Design Visions Large Kitchen and Large Bath categories.

“We really appreciate your expertise and your unrelenting desire to make the customer happy. You clearly care about about fixing every issue that is not perfect, and that is a very rare quality.” *-Allison & Lee D.*

In the kitchen, white cabinets surround a walnut-stained island, balancing simple lines with rich details. An intricate tile design incorporates a mix of stainless steel and marble tiles for a stunning result.

Creating a calming retreat with a luxurious, spa-type feeling was the main objective for the master bath design.

To achieve the openness the clients desired, the design replaced interior walls with glass panels. Clear glass in the shower area showcases the tile design. A digital shower system complete with stereo, mood lights and multiple showerheads, amplifies the sense of luxury.

Gail says, “I really enjoyed working with my clients on the two most important rooms of the house. Each room presented different design challenges and opportunities.”



NKBA AWARD-WINNING MASTER BATH

NEW VIDEO SERIES SHOWCASES PROJECTS

Our new video series features our award-winning kitchen and bath design projects with designer interviews. Each video highlights a specific project and illustrates our client-focused design and attention to detail, both hallmarks of our business and our success.



MEDIA

Chicago Home + Garden

“The Art of the Redo: From Congested to Airy and Upbeat”

November / December 2011 pages 36 - 40

In this four-page feature, Drury Design’s Gladys Schanstra, CKD, CBD, offers insight about her National Kitchen & Bath Association’s “Best of Show” home makeover in Elmhurst, Illinois.



West Suburban Living

“Blissful Baths”

January / February 2012 page 61

“Creating a Personalized Space for Rejuvenation and Relaxation.”

This feature examines the “reinvented bathrooms” of west suburban homeowners including our award-winning master bath design in Wheaton, Illinois.



COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

**25TH ANNIVERSARY
OPEN HOUSE
FRIDAY, MAY 18
5:00 - 9:00 PM**

As a way to thank our clients and the community, we’ll be hosting an open house to celebrate our 25th anniversary. Wolf SubZero executive chef, Chef Craig Bell, will preview the best of summer fare. The event also celebrates the 15th anniversary of the Drury Design and Grabill Cabinetry Company partnership. Grabill has recognized Drury Design as its number one dealer for 12 years in a row. Thanks to our sponsors Grabill Cabinetry, Wolf Sub-Zero, Cambria and Virginia Tile for their contributions. To RSVP, email Jim@drurydesigns.com or call 630.469.4980.

**25 YEARS
DRURY DESIGN
1987-2012**



CAMBRIA



VIRGINIA TILE

EUROCUCINA 2012

As the transitional home design winner in Grabill’s Home Collections Design Competition, Gail and Jim Drury will represent Drury Design in Milan, Italy as they attend the Eurocucina 2012 International Kitchen Furniture Exhibition.

2011 GLEN ELLYN KITCHEN WALK RAISES \$12,000

On October 14, 2011, Baird and Warner of Glen Ellyn presented the Glen Ellyn Kitchen Walk. Sponsored by Drury Design Kitchen and Bath Studio, the event raised enough funds to provide 480 housing nights for Bridge Communities’ clients. For more information on Bridge Communities and its mission to connect homeless families to a better future, visit <http://bridgecommunities.org>.

The 2012 Kitchen Walk is set for October 12, 2012.



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